

Cotton, per lb. 9 to 10c
Cotton Seed, per bu. 30c

Fair And Colder.

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Fair tonight and Tuesday. Colder tonight and in extreme west portion Tuesday. Colder Tuesday night.

Teach Dry Agents.

Charlotte, Jan. 19.—Federal prohibition agents in North Carolina are going to have an opportunity to brush up on the fine points of trapping bootleggers and ferreting out and wrecking stills. A school for the dry enforcement officers in the western, central and eastern districts of the state opened here today. It will continue until all the agents have received two weeks' instructions under two expert enforcement officers from the Richmond district enforcement headquarters.

Funeral Of Mrs. Hamrick Held

Mrs. D. A. F. Hamrick Had Outlived Every Member Of Her Family, Including Children.

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Susanna Hamrick, aged 86 years, who had outlived every member of her immediate family, were conducted at the Latimore Baptist church Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The services were in charge of Rev. W. C. Lynch, the pastor, and Rev. D. G. Washburn.

Mrs. Hamrick died Friday, death resulting from the infirmities of old age.

At the age of 20 she was married to D. A. F. Hamrick, who died 29 years ago. To this union were born three daughters—Mrs. J. P. D. Withrow, Mrs. C. T. Heffner, and Mrs. W. T. Caltonall of whom preceded their mother to the grave. Not only did Mrs. Hamrick's brothers, sisters, husband and children die before her but her sons-in-law also preceded her to the grave. Living survivors include 12 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Mrs. Hamrick joined Sandy Run Baptist church at the age of 15. She retained her membership there until the Latimore church was organized and she became a charter member and was a loyal church worker and a woman widely loved until her death. For years she had made her home with her daughter, Mrs. W. T. Calton, until the latter's death. Since then she had been living with her grandson, Aubrey Calton.

Predicts Quake For This Week

Shock Expected Between Today And Wednesday, Has Called Eleven Quakes.

Budapest, Hungary, Jan. 19.—The world's next great earthquake, predicts Professor Martin Hanks, will occur between Monday and Wednesday, somewhere in the western half of the Pacific ocean or in Japan itself.

Professor Hanks, a member of the faculty of Pecs university in south Hungary and whose predictions regarding earthquakes have caused worldwide interest, discussed his forecasting system with the Associated Press yesterday.

"For many years," he said, "I have been studying earthquakes and have found there is a uniform and natural sequence to such convulsions. My system is based upon the simplest principles of prediction, applied with a highly elaborated scheme of mathematics."

Fixed Eleven Dates.

"Since October I have fixed the dates of approximately 11 earthquakes, all of which developed. I prefer not to enter the details of my theory, but I have proved it not only with regard to future earthquakes, but also in connection with those of the past, verifying the exact time of the most important such disasters known to history."

Professor Hanks said he even had verified the time of the destruction of Pompeii.

"Last month," he continued, "I predicted that between December 13 and December 14 an earthquake would occur probably in Chile, and it developed December 15 in both Argentina and Mexico."

Not Too Far Ahead.

"Theoretically it would be possible to fix the date of earthquakes many years ahead, but much more precise details are obtainable in considering only the immediate future, say for a fortnight or a month ahead."

"I hope to give a perfectly new direction to the science of seismology, and by developing my system be able to put an end once for all to the wholesale destruction of human life which usually accompanies these outbreaks, by a timely warning of their nature and strength."

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King's Counsel May Alter Plan At Second Trial

To Improve Strategy This Time

Lawyers Continue To Prepare Case As They Await Decision As To Place.

York, S. C., Jan. 19.—Judge B. T. Falls, associate counsel for Rafe King, came through York last week and he and Lawyer Thomas F. McDow, chief counsel for the Sharon and Shelby man, drove to Columbia, presumably for a conference with King in the penitentiary.

Pending the decision of Judge Bonham as to where the second trial of King shall be held, both sides of the case are not being held up any in their preparation for it, wherever it may be staged. Apparently the state has less to consider than the defense, for its facts are the same as those produced in the first trial, and the issue is the same. But the defense is fighting a big battle over again, and its tactics and strategy may be improved by changes made in the light of what happened in the first trial. Some things in that trial at Chester surprised the defense, and if it made any mistakes of tactics then, it knows them as well as anybody else now, and can avoid them in the second trial. Hence the lawyers are not marking time by any means while the judge is considering at which of four county seats the second trial shall be held.

Which courthouse will be chosen is as much unknown to all lawyers on both sides as to any newspaper reader. Different attorneys in the case express confidentially different personal opinions about what location the judge will choose for the venue. The only thing all agree on is, that Judge Bonham is very high minded and conscientious, and his decision about the place of trial will be entirely uninfluenced by anything outside the arguments filed with him, and made to him, on the motion for a change of venue. That the arguments on both sides have a certain cogency makes it possible for any of four decisions to be made as most conducive to exact justice. So the answer to the present question is anybody's guess, until the court speaks. When that will be is equally uncertain.

Small Cafe Blaze Here Early Today

Hole Burned In Central Cafe Floor. Fire Saturday At Corn Mill

A fire at 6:20 this morning burned a hole in the kitchen floor of the Central Cafe on West Warren street. This morning when Everett DeJong, the proprietor, opened up he found the building full of smoke and sent in an alarm for the trucks. After the blaze was extinguished it was found, it is said, that ashes taken from the stove last night caused the fire.

The trucks were called out early Saturday afternoon to the South Shelby corn mill where a blaze did slight damage to the roof.

Thinks Cut Of Fees In Public Offices Would Help Tax-Payers More Than A Slash In Salaries

Man Who Needs It More Would Benefit By Lower Fees On Mortgages.

Would not a reduction of fees charged for various purposes in public offices do more to make government cost cheaper for citizens who really need the benefit of economy than a reduction in salaries of public officials?

That's a query advanced by a Cleveland county citizen, well acquainted with public affairs, in discussing proposed economy in the state.

"The way I figure it," he says, "the reduction of 10 percent in the salary of the average county official would, when brought down to the final analysis, mean a saving to him, the tax-payer, in taxes, of just sixty-eight one-thousandth of one cent on the \$100 property valuation. That wouldn't be much of a burden lighter in my opinion."

"On the other hand, is it generally realized what a reduction in public fees would mean? It is my information that the fees taken in for various purposes by the clerk of court and register of deeds here, or in any other well-governed county,

Inspects New Town House



The United States Navy's dirigible "Los Angeles" nosing near the top of the Empire State Building, New York City, as it in inspection of the mooring mast atop the structure. The mast was built specially for the use of the Los Angeles. The huge bag made the first of a series of training flights before her departure for naval maneuvers off Panama.

Hoover Names Group For Drought Relief

Ask Red Cross Aid Here

The quota of Shelby and Cleveland county for Red Cross relief work in States badly stricken by the drought is \$1,400. It was announced here this morning by Henry B. Edwards, Red Cross campaign chairman.

In twenty-one States of America people are suffering very much and the national Red Cross states that a campaign for relief is imperative.

Want Contributions.
"We will not organize a formal drive to secure our quota," the local chairman said, "but we cannot fail to do what we can in this noble work. I hope that all generous-hearted citizens able to do so will contribute to this worthy relief fund. Since I will be in Raleigh I will ask that contributions be left at The Star office and reports of the contributions published. The main idea is to give what we are going to give now. The need is urgent and is not a thing to be put off."

Conditions Terrible.
In a telegram to the Red Cross officials here, John Barton Payne, national chairman, says: "Increased demands have made imperative

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People In Drought Stricken Areas Badly In Need Of Red Cross Aid.

Washington, Jan. 19.—President Hoover announced yesterday the appointment of a nation-wide committee of 37 members headed by former President Coolidge, as honorary chairman, with former Governor Alfred E. Smith, John W. Davis and General Pershing among the vice chairmen, to aid the Red Cross in raising its \$10,000,000 fund for the relief of sufferers in the drought stricken areas.

In requesting them to serve, Mr. Hoover injected the Dole issue, on which he stands to be defeated in the senate today, by declaring:

"It is essential that we should maintain the sound American tradition and spirit of voluntary aid in such emergency and should not undermine that spirit which has made our Red Cross the outstanding guardian of our people in time of disaster."

Rejects Republican Pleas
Having rejected pleas of Republican leaders to compromise with congress by acceding to a treasury "loan" rather than "Dole" to the Red Cross, Mr. Hoover hopes by the quick raising of money from public subscription to head off the drive in congress, now slated to succeed in both senate and house, for the Robinson (D. Ark.) amendment to the interior department appropriation bill. The amendment gives the Red Cross \$25,000,000 to buy and distribute food, medicine and other supplies not only in the drought districts but wherever else needed.

Mr. Hoover conferred again today with Senator Reed (R. Pa.), who at his request will try to stave off the Robinson amendment until February 9, to let the Red Cross first appeal for public funds. After the conference, the president made public a copy of this request to eminent men and women through the country to serve on the committee to help the Red Cross drive.

Dr. Toms Dies In Calera, Oklahoma

Brother of Mrs. J. R. Dover And Mr. H. L. Toms of Shelby. Went West 35 Years Ago.

Dr. R. A. Toms, native of Rutherford county and brother of Mrs. John R. Dover and Mr. H. L. Toms of Shelby died suddenly last Wednesday at his home in Calera, Oklahoma. Dr. Toms was a native of Rutherford county and went west 35 years ago. He was a licensed physician, but gave up his practice some years ago and his since been devoting his time to the mercantile business.

Dr. Toms was 65 years of age, but has many friends among the older people of Cleveland and Rutherford counties who remember him very pleasantly.

"Live At Home" Drive To Open In County 22nd

Extension Workers Boost Program

Urges Farmers To Produce Food For Livestock As Well As Food For Family

The slogan "Farm To Make A Living in 1931" will be introduced in Cleveland county Thursday, January 22, when two extension workers from the agricultural department, farm wives, merchants, bankers and business men.

The salvation this year for North Carolina farmers lies in their ability to produce their own food and feed or live at home. In the opinion of agricultural leaders.

Last Year Governor Gardner's "Live-at-home" program brought on additional food and feed crops in the State worth 19 million dollars. Had this program not been inaugurated real "hard times" would be existing now in the State. With no bright prospects of a good price for cash crops this year the live-at-home idea is being stressed more than ever.

Have Statistics
E. W. Gaither and Miss Ruth Current, who will attend meeting here, will have with them statistics showing the best food and feed crops for this section. They also have data just what crops this section has been short in. They will outline the necessity of raising feed for livestock as well as food for the family.

Another big cotton crop will prove disastrous to cotton sections unless farmers in these sections take the precaution, agricultural observers say, of producing enough food and feed to take care of themselves.

Not only farmers but all citizens interested in the welfare of the county are asked to attend the meeting. Similar meetings are being held in every county in the state.

Fullenweider Died Of Heart Trouble

Shelby War Veteran Given Military Funeral By Camp In Florida.

Mr. Harry Fullenweider, actor traveler and Spanish-American war veteran, died of heart trouble in a Key West, Florida, hospital yesterday a week ago. News of his death has already been published but it was not until the week-end that a letter came to former Sheriff Hugh A. Logan, commander of Spanish-American war veterans here, telling of the details.

He had just dressed in the hospital and had been given a glass of milk by a nurse. When the nurse returned to the room a few minutes later she found him dead. The letter, from the camp of veterans there, stated that he was given a regular military funeral and buried by the side of other Spanish-American war veterans. He became ill while en route to Havana and was taken to the hospital there by veterans. The local camp paid expenses incurred in getting him to the hospital as his two last pension checks had not been located.

Abolish Bounties For Rum Arrests

Hereafter Lincoln County Officers Will Not Get Bonus For Captures.

Raleigh, Jan. 19.—There will be no more \$10 bounties for Lincoln county officers making arrests for prohibition law violations if the house views the bill of Representative Sigmon of Lincoln in the same light as house judiciary committee No. 1 did at its first meeting. The committee voted unanimously to make a favorable report on the bill, which would repeal the 1929 statute authorizing the bonus.

Auto Tag Bureau Here Still Open

The automobile license bureau at the Eskridge garage here remains open all year and was not closed Saturday. Several citizens noticed that bureaus in other towns and cities closed Saturday made inquiries as to the bureau here. The local license plate office is one of the twelve in the State which remains open the entire year. Those which closed Saturday are only part time bureaus which help alleviate the first rush in tag sales.

Ritchie Inaugural Viewed as 1932 Bid



Inducted into office as Governor of Maryland for his fourth term, breaking all precedents of service in the State, Albert C. Ritchie devoted his inaugural to a discussion of national issues and, in the general opinion, sounded the keynote of his candidacy for the Democratic Presidential nomination in 1932.

Mrs. J. N. Gantt Dies, Is Buried At Trinity

Large Crowd Attends Funeral Of Beloved Woman Of No. 2 Township.

Mrs. Rosley Gantt, wife of James N. Gantt died Monday morning January 12 at 1:30 o'clock following an illness of three weeks with heart and kidney trouble. She was 68 years of age and was married to Mr. Gantt in 1865. To this union three children were born, one of whom survives, Clarence Gantt who lives at home with his father.

Mrs. Gantt was highly respected and esteemed in the community and a large crowd attended the funeral services conducted by Rev. M. M. Huntley at 2 o'clock Tuesday of last week. Interment was in the cemetery at Trinity church where she held her membership. Many beautiful flowers attested the esteem in which she was held.

No New Legislation Planned By Edwards

Representative Believes County Affairs To Be In Pretty Good Shape.

Representative Henry B. Edwards, home from Raleigh for the week-end, is planning no new legislation for this county, he stated. "I am working on several things of a state-wide nature," he said, "but as far as county affairs are concerned I think we are in pretty good shape. I have no plans now for any direct county legislation although I cannot determine yet just what might develop. I am, however, working on several things, more or less of State-wide scope, which I will introduce during the session."

Ford Prices Cut

Ford has taken a substantial price cut and new low prices on Ford cars and trucks are effective today. Charles L. Eskridge, authorized Shelby dealer, said the reductions on all Ford units would range from \$5 to \$45.

Jonas Has His Wires Crossed Somewhere; Is Battle Against Political Rigor Mortis For Him

Newspaper Comment Notes Conflicting Statements. Desolate Fight of Defeat.

The charges of Congressman Chas. A. Jonas, of this district, regarding alleged election frauds in the district and state are drawing considerable newspaper comment.

An editorial in The Hickory Record, entitled "Wires Crossed Somewhere," says:

"Just recently The Record published a news dispatch from Charlotte which quoted Congressman Charles A. Jonas, of Lincoln, as saying that he had been asked to assist in a further investigation of alleged election frauds in this, the ninth congressional district. Mr. Jonas was further quoted as saying that someone connected with the Nye senatorial committee had informed him that election fraud conditions in North Carolina were as bad as they are in Pennsylvania—or words to that effect."

"Now somebody has evidently crossed some wires somewhere, for Congressman Jonas, has been quoted this week in a Washington, D. C. dispatch as saying: 'I have never believed that

Thos. Vaughn Burned To Death In Residence

Banished Man To Come Back

Paul Bostic Permitted To Return To County By Governor Gardner.

Paul Bostic, young Cleveland county man, who was banished from the State for two years, was last week given permission by Governor to return to this county so that he may start crops on his farm.

Bostic, who was convicted here of breaking and entering in March, 1929, and sentenced to a fine and to stay out of the state two years, would complete his period of exile in March, the statement said, but would be hampered by not being able to get his crops started.

Seven other paroles were granted at the same time by the Governor.

Mistakes Governor For A Hotel Clerk

Unannounced Visitor Walks Into Mansion And Asks If He Is "Clerk."

Raleigh, Jan. 19.—Governor O. Max Gardner was entertaining several friends in the library at the executive mansion one night last week when a well-dressed, middle-aged gentleman of genial and benign appearance came strolling through the front hall and smiled pleasantly at the group.

The Governor rose to his feet and looked inquiringly at the visitor. "Are you the clerk?" politely asked the stranger.

"Huh?" gasped His Excellency. The man glanced about him rather uncertainly. He took in the general appearance of his surroundings, and then his eyes again focused upon the Governor.

"Is this the office?" he inquired. "What office?" countered the Governor.

"Why—er—a—THE office." "This is the Governor's mansion," said Mr. Gardner, in rather austere fashion.

The visitor's face showed emotions of horror, mixed with terrible embarrassment.

"I beg your pardon," he said in a most humble tone of voice. "I thought this was the Mansion Park Hotel."

He retreated rather hurriedly, and the front door slammed behind him. "Yes," commented the Governor aggrievedly, "and you thought I looked like a clerk in the hotel." He eyed his gubernatorial raiment rather dolefully, and then resumed his seat and the subject of conversation which had been so strangely interrupted.

On Debating Squad.

W. W. Washburn, of Shelby, was one of the 16 students at Wake Forest college picked in the first round of a debating tournament there to select the first year intercollegiate team.

Mr. And Mrs. Mull Are Ill With "Flu"

Mr. Odus M. Mull, state Democratic chairman and executive councillor to Governor Gardner, and Mrs. Mull are both ill with influenza at the Sir Walter hotel in Raleigh, where Mr. Mull makes his headquarters. Mrs. Mull and daughter, Miss Montrose, recently went to Raleigh to spend some time with Mr. Mull.

Cox Thinks Jonas Will Get Position

Congressman Chas. A. Jonas is almost certain to be appointed district attorney of Federal court to succeed Thomas J. Harkins, who recently resigned the resignation to take effect in March. That's the belief of H. Clay Cox, Cleveland county Republican chairman and manager of the Jonas campaign last fall. Mr. Cox has been in touch with Republican leaders all over the State and says that the majority of them are endorsing the Lincoln-ton man for the attorneyship.

Shoffner Improves Slowly In Florida

Mr. R. W. Shoffner, former Cleveland county farm agent, who has been ill for some time and is now recuperating at Miami, Florida, is improving very slowly. This information was contained in a message received by friends over the week-end. Mr. Shoffner some months ago underwent a tonsil operation and later had influenza. Failing to recover as rapidly as hoped for, he went to Florida to recuperate. His improvement has been slow but gradual.

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